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Day one

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Hamilton Partial HamBur Loop 41km or Waterfront Trail In-and-Out 17km

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Suggested Overnight Mohawk College

Residences – [Map 1]:

245 Fennell Ave W, Hamilton, ON L9C 7V7

Long-term and day parking available for a fee.

OPTION 1: Partial HamBur Loop (41.4km)

Starting from Mohawk College, ride to the Lake Ontario Waterfront utilizing part of the HamBur Loop. Along the way, you will pass Easterbrook's Ice Cream and Hot Dogs (11km) and the famous Royal Botanical Gardens (11km). Take a moment to enjoy the views from the Escarpment.

26.7km - Barangas on the Beach –Lunch – and a dip into Lake Ontario

11:30am to 3:00pm

380 Van Wagners Beach Rd, Hamilton, ON, L8E 3L8

OPTION 2: Barangas to Burlington In-and-Out (16.8km)

Those who prefer a shorter ride today can park at Barangas on the Beach, for a short, casual ride along the Great Lakes Waterfront Trail northwest to Burlington and back.

Check in to Mohawk College – 3:00pm [Map 1]:

245 Fennell Ave W, Hamilton, ON L9C 7V7

Dinner

You can take your pick of the local restaurants around town; There are several options on Upper James (within a 10-minute drive of campus).

Some suggestions include:

- **State & Main** – 1591 Upper James St
- **Sasso Pizza Market & Bar** – 1595 Upper James St
- **Ye Olde Squire Pub** – 1508 Upper James St

- **Paramount Middle Eastern Kitchen** - 1441 Upper James St
- **Freshii** - 1591 Upper James St

If you want to eat further afield, then Hamilton Downtown has a great dining scene-we like Rapsallion, The Standard, The Mule and Berkeley North—reservations recommended for Friday night.

Taxis

Hamilton Cab: (905) 777-7777

Blue Line Transportation Ltd: (905) 525-0000

DAY 2- Three Great Lakes in Eight Days

Hamilton to Guelph: 66.6 km

Today's Ride

Today's route follows part of the Greenbelt Route, featuring quiet roads favoured by local cyclists. Please remember that roads are not closed for the GWTA. Ride with care and be aware of your surroundings, other road users, and other groups of cyclists at all times.

14km – Highlight - Snake Road – 9:00am to 9:30am [Map 1]:

This is a famous local hill named for its winding nature, and a local cyclists' favourite. Watch out for other cyclists and stay to the right at all times.

16km – Suggested Rest Stop - Waterdown – 9:30am to 9:45am [Map 1]:

Reward yourself post Snake Road with a coffee and an apple fritter at the Copper Kettle Café in Waterdown or visit one of the other excellent coffee shops. Take care crossing Dundas Street/HW5.

- **Copper Kettle Café** – 4-312 Dundas St E, Waterdown, ON L0R 2H5
- **Peach Coffee Co. Waterdown** – 297 Dundas Street E, Waterdown, ON L0R 2H0
- **Jitterbug Café** – 35 Main Street North, Waterdown, ON L0R 2H0

34 km – Suggested Rest Stop – Kilbride General Store– 10:30am to 11:00am [Map 1]:

4090 Kilbride St, Burlington

This little store is slightly off route (500m).

44 km –Rest Stop – Robert Edmondson Conservation Area – 11:00am to 12:00pm [Map 1]:

10025 First Line Nassagaweya Moffat, ON L0P 1J0

There is a portapotty a short ride into the conservation area.

60km – Rest Stop – Flow State Bike Company with Greenbelt Foundation – 12:00pm to 2:00pm [Map 2]:

599 Arkell Road, Arkell, ON, N0B 1C0

Enjoy a fantastic drip coffee and treat. Refill at the hydration station and browse the shop for water bottles and electrolytes.

There is plenty of bike parking available at the front of the store, with limited seating on the patio and porch.

66km – GWTA Basecamp at University of Guelph - W.F. Mitchell Athletic Centre – 2:00pm to 3:00pm [Campus Map]:

168 Trent Ln, Guelph, ON N1G 3B9

If you arrive before check-in, ride over the plaza between the Delta and Gordon Hall. You'll find a variety of restaurant options including the **Shakespeare Arms**, 35 Harvard Rd, Guelph, or take in the self-guided Arboretum Tour.

ACCOMMODATIONS

HOTEL

Delta Inn:

50 Stone Road, Guelph, ON N1G 5L3

Bike directly across campus to your hotel and check in. Bikes are stored in your rooms.

Camping is available at Guelph Lake Conservation Area, 7743 Conservation Rd RR4, Guelph, ON N1H 6J1 (12 km from Delta Hotel).

Post-Ride Options

Self-Guided Guelph Arboretum Tour

Ivey Trail, Guelph, ON N1G 4Z8

Start at the Arboretum Gate off Arboretum Rd adjacent to Alumni House. See map for exact location.

Step into a living, breathing sanctuary of nature at the University of Guelph Arboretum—400 stunning acres of plant collections, gardens, and winding trails that serve as a living laboratory where science and nature come together.

A Night in Downtown Guelph

Enjoy a pub night in Downtown Guelph with your pick of 3 pubs and a dive bar all within a 10-minute walk of one another:

- **Jimmy Jazz** – 48 Macdonell St, Guelph, ON N1H 6P8
- **The Wooly Pub** – 176 Woolwich St, Guelph, ON N1H 3V5
- **Which Craft** – 91 Wyndham St N #101, Guelph, ON N1H 4E9
- **Brothers Brewing Company** – 15 Wyndham St N Unit A, Guelph, ON N1H 4E5

Taxis

Canadian Cab: (519) 824-3110

Guelph Taxi: (519) 780-2622

Red Top Taxi: (519) 821-1700

GWTA 2025 Route Available on Ride with GPS

Download the GWTA 2025 route! Keyword

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Three Great Lakes in Eight Days : DAY 3

Guelph to Blyth or Goderich: approx. 110–141 km
Day 03

Today's Ride – Guelph to Goderich Rail Trail

For most of us, today will be a long day in the saddle – we recommend starting your ride directly from breakfast and taking plenty of breaks.

NOTE:

Best to avoid Sunday for this route as **all Mennonite bakeries and restaurants are closed for religious observance.**

Highly suggest that you carry two water bottles to avoid running out of water.

Follow Ride with GPS routing through Guelph to meet up with the Guelph to Goderich (GtoG) Trail on Woodlawn Rd.

30km – Suggested Rest Stop - Elmira – 9:15am to 10:00am [Map 1]:

- **Hasty Market** – 28 Church Street W, Elmira ON N3B 2A7
- **Foodland Elmira** – 315 Arthur Street S Elmira, ON N3B 3L5
- **Food Basics Elmira** – 232 Arthur Street S Elmira, ON N3B 2P2
- **Local Renaissance Coffee Shop (Open 10:00am)** – 63 Arthur St S Unit #1, Elmira, ON N3B 2M6
- **Sip n' Bite breakfast restaurant** – 39 Arthur St S, Elmira, ON N3B 2M4

39 km – Wallenstein – 9:45am to 10:30am [Map 2]:
No businesses are open today, as it is a Sunday.

46 km – GWTA Water Stop and Suggested Rest Stop – Linwood Trailhead/Community Centre – 10:15am to 11:00am [Map 2]:
5279 Ament Line, Linwood, ON N0B 2A0
Outdoor washroom available. There are a few places to stop for food in Linwood:

- **The Corner Store LCBO & Food Shop (Open 10:00am)** – 5190 Ament Line A, Linwood, ON N0B 2A0
- **Noah's Pizza (Open 12:00pm)** – 5158 Ament Line, Linwood, ON N0B 2A0

55km – Recommended Lunch Stop. Millbank – 10:45am to 11:30am [Map 2]:
Anna Mae's Bakery, 4060 Perth County Line 72, Millbank, ON N0K 1L0. A must-do and cyclists favourite. Closed on Sunday.

62km – Suggested Lunch 11:15am to 12:00pm [Map 2]:

We recommend that you stop in Milverton for lunch if you haven't already had it, and for picking up a snack to take with you if you have.

Food options include:

- **Tim Hortons** – 70 Main St S, Milverton, ON N0K 1M0
- **Gourmandise French Bakery** – Great baguette sandwiches. Order in advance from website <https://www.gourmandisecanada.com/> – 3 Main St N, Milverton, ON N0K 1M0
- **Foodtown (Grocery, Open 11:30am)** – 36 Main St N, Milverton, ON N0K 1M0
- **New Orleans Pizza (Opens 12:00pm)** – 6 Main St, Milverton, ON N0K 1M0

75km – Suggested Rest Stop - Monkton – 12:15pm to 1:15pm [Map 2]:

- **T&J Variety LCBO Outlet Convenience** – 205 Winstanley St, Monkton, ON N0K 1P0

96 km – Walton Trailhead – 1:15am to 2:15pm [Map 2]:
Brussels Line, Walton

108km – Recommended Rest Stop and overnight - Blyth – 1:30pm to 2:30pm [Map 3]:
Blyth Municipal Campground, 377 Gypsy Ln Blyth, ON N0M 1H0
Campers and those staying in Blyth hotels will end their day here.
Bikes will be stored in the Arena Shed. Showers are available in the arena.

Looking for nourishment?

- **The Blyth Inn-The Boot** – 422 Queen St, Blyth, ON N0M 1H0. A community favourite with a patio and very close to the campground.
- **Blyth Fresh Mart** – 209 Drummond St, Blyth, ON N0M 1H0
- **Cowbell Brewing** – 40035 Blyth Rd, Blyth, ON N0M 1E0. Fantastic new brewery with restaurant.
- **Tim Hortons** – 39977 Blyth Rd, Blyth, ON N0M 1E0

NOTE: If you are riding to Goderich, be aware that there is very limited support along this section of the trail. Be sure that you have stocked up on water and snacks.

118km – Auburn [Map 3]

122km – Detour Across Balls Bridge – 2:00pm to 3:00pm [Map 3]:
Follow GWTA routing.

129km – Rejoin G2G at Sharpes Creek Line – 2:30pm to 3:30pm [Map 3]:
GWTA Routing will have you rejoin the GtoG at Sharpes Creek Line.

133.3km – Detour into Goderich – 3:00pm to 4:00pm [Map 3]:
Follow GWTA routing, leaving the GtoG trail at CP line to enter Goderich by road. **NOTE:** DO NOT

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use the official G2G diversion, as it takes you down a steep and rocky hiking trail.

Hotels in Goderich

Please note that RWGPS routing in Goderich takes you to the Comfort Inn. If you are cycling into Goderich, adjust your route as needed to reach your accommodations for the evening.

140km – Goderich Town Centre – 3:30pm to 5:00pm [Map 3].

Welcome to Goderich—We suggest timing your visit to take in the Celtic Festival!

Get ready for toe-tapping tunes, harbourfront views, and some seriously delicious eats.

Dinner — On Your Own

Blyth Restaurants

- **The Blyth Inn aka The Boot**– 422 Queen St, Blyth, ON N0M 1H0.

The GWTA team are heading to this local favourite offering great food at reasonable prices. There are two large tables reserved. North Huron Reeve Paul Heffer will be popping by to say hello and give us a classic North Huron welcome at 5:30 pm. It's a great moment to raise a glass together—we'll start things off with a toast of Black Donnelly's Draft courtesy of the Boot. Come be part of it!

- **Cowbell Brewing** – 40035 Blyth Rd, Blyth, ON N0M 1E0

Goderich Restaurants

We recommend the Celtic Festival but here are some other terrific options.

- **Part 2 Bistro** – 10 Courthouse Square, Goderich, ON N7A 1M3

- **Beach Street Station** – 2 Beach St, Goderich, ON N7A 4C. Amazing restaurant with up to 270 seats. Located in a former Canadian Pacific Railway Station at the harbour. The Goderich waterfront is a must-see.

Taxis

Blyth

Huron Taxi: (519) 482-1100

Clinton Taxi: (519) 482-7433

Goderich

Goderich Taxi & Delivery: (519) 524-6594

Anytime Taxi: (519) 524-8888

Shoreline Transfer: (519) 524-3459

ACCOMMODATION SUGGESTIONS

Goderich

Comfort Inn & Suites -135 Gibbons St, Goderich, ON N7A 3J5 tel:(519) 440-0215

Bedford Hotel -92 Courthouse Square, Goderich tel:(519) 524-7337. Please note that this hotel does not have an elevator and you will need to carry your bike up to your room.

Blyth

Hotel Lux 197 Dinsley Street, Blyth

Tel: 519 450 8589

Blyth Inn, 422 Queen St, Blyth – 7 rooms

Tel: 519 523 9381

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Three Great Lakes : Day Four

Blyth 97 km to Grand Bend
Goderich 74 km to Grand Bend

Today's Ride – Blyth or Goderich to Grand Bend

How today's ride starts will depend on whether you overnighted in Blyth or Goderich.

STARTING IN BLYTH

Cycling from Blyth to Grand Bend

There is very limited support along this section of the trail. Be sure to stock up on water and snacks.

Follow today's routing exactly—you WILL NOT enter Goderich, instead joining the route via Ben Miller to shorten your overall riding distance. Begin your ride on the GtoG Trail from the campground/Arena and heading Northwest.

10km – Leave the GtoG [Map 1]
Detour down Base Line towards Balls Bridge.

14km – Balls Bridge [Map 1]

22km – Lucknow Line [Map 1]:
Turn left down Lucknow Line.

24 km –Suggested Rest Stop - Ben Miller Community Hall – 9:15am to 9:45am [Map 1]:
37015 Londesboro Rd, Goderich, ON N7A 3Y1
Washrooms available if open.

31km – Join the Great Lakes Waterfront Trail - Orchard Line – 9:30am to 10:00am [Map 1]:
At Orchard Line you continue along the Great Lakes Waterfront Trail.

STARTING IN GODERICH

Local Recommendation – Early Morning Dip
Enjoy a dip in Lake Huron without the crowds – take a ride down to the beach before breakfast for an early morning swim.

Goderich Breakfast - we recommend Cait's Café at 168 Courthouse Sq., Goderich, ON N7A 1N1

NOTE: First km distance represents riders from Blyth. The second represents riders from Goderich.

42km/18km – Suggested Rest Stop - Bayfield Berry Farms – 9:00am to 11:00am (Opens 10:00am) [Map 1]:
77697 Orchard Line, Bayfield, ON N0M 1G0
Great spot for a butter tart and a coffee.
Washrooms available inside the building.

47km/23km – Suggested Rest Stop - Village of Bayfield – 9:30am to 11:30am [Map 1]:
Visit the beautiful community of Bayfield on the shores of Lake Huron. Public washrooms available beside the Library located at 18 Main St., Bayfield, ON. There several great places to eat on Main Street:

- **Black Dog Village Pub** – 5 Bayfield Main St N, Bluewater, ON N0M 1G0
- **Bayfield Brewing Company** – 14 Bayfield Main St N, Bayfield, ON N0M 1G0
- **The Wharf Coffee Company** – 47 Fishermans Wharf Rd, Bayfield, ON N0M 1G0
- **Shopbike Coffee Roasters** – 11 Bayfield Main St N, Bayfield, ON N0M 1G0
- **Pink Flamingo Bakery** – 28 Bayfield Main St N, Bayfield, ON N0M 1G0

66km/42km – Detour Suggested Rest Stop - Zurich – 10:30am to 12:30pm [Map 1]:
A visit to the community of Zurich takes you 1km off-route. If you need a break there are food options:

- **Jerry Radar Homestyle Catering & Market** – 38110 Zurich Hensall Rd, Zurich, ON N0M 2T0
- **Havasu Coffee Company** – 17 Goshen St N, Zurich, ON N0M 2T0

Public Washrooms are available at the Zurich library
10 Goshen St N, Zurich, ON N0M 2T0

75km/51km – Suggested stop - Dashwood Community Centre– 11:00am to 1:00pm [Map 1]: 158 Centre St.(Bronson Line), Dashwood.
Washrooms and water filling available when open.

89km/67km – A Dip in Huron - Grand Bend – 12:00pm to 2:00pm [Map 2]:
90 Main St W, Grand Bend, ON N0M 1T0
Stop at the Beach House Observation Deck in Grand Bend. There are change rooms, washrooms and bike racks. It's the perfect location for a dip in Lake Huron.

The Grand Bend strip is the perfect place for a beverage, a meal and an ice cream.

Campers – Onwards to Basecamp

Campers can head out to the Pinery Provincial Park along the Rotary pathway and the paved shoulders of Highway 21. Be sure to bring your dinner unless you want to ride back into town.

97 km/74km – GWTA Basecamp – Pinery Provincial Park – 3:00pm to 4:00pm [Map 2]:
9526 Lakeshore Rd, Grand Bend.

Grand Bend Hotels

Colonial Hotel, 1 Main St W, Grand Bend, ON N0M 1T0

Pine Dale Motor Inn -107 Ontario Street South, Grand Bend, Ontario, Canada N0M 1T0
Tel: 519-238-2231

Blue Water Motel – 121 Ontario St South, Grand Bend, Ontario, N0M 1T0 Tel:1-519-238-2014

Taxis

Grand Bend Taxi: (519) 238 7433
Star Taxi: (519) 238-7827

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Three Great Lakes: Day 5

Grand Bend to London: approx. 100 km

Day 05

After leaving breakfast take care turning left onto HW21 – use the newly paved shoulders of Highway 21 before turning right onto Greenway Road.

15km/29km – Hicks General Store – 9:30am to 10:00am [Map 1]:

36406 Mt Carmel Dr, Parkhill, ON N0M 1N0

15km/29km – GWTA Rest Stop – Corbett Community Centre – 9:30am to 10:00am

[Map 1]:

35914 Corbett Rd, Parkhill, ON N0M 1N0

Check hours to see if open.

44km/58km – Caution - Denfield [Map 1]:

Busy road—take care.

49km/63km – GWTA Rest Stop – Denfield Park – 11:00am to 12:00pm [Map 1]:

Washrooms available.

58km/72km – Recommended Lunch Stop

Ilderton 12:00pm to 2:00pm [Map 1]:

13168 Ilderton Road, Ilderton

Lunch options in Ilderton:

- **Tim Hortons** – 13349 Ilderton Rd, Ilderton, ON N0M 2A0
- **King Edward Restaurant and Pub** – 13239 Ilderton Rd, Ilderton, ON N0M 2A0
- **Grill 23 Mexican Restaurant** – 13229 Ilderton Rd Unit #102, Ilderton, ON N0M 2A0
- **Subway** – 13187 Ilderton Rd, Ilderton, ON N0M 2A0
- **4 Pizza Sake** – 13235 Ilderton Rd, Ilderton, ON N0M 2A0
- **New Orleans Pizza** – 13229 Ilderton Rd, Ilderton, ON N0M 2A0



82km/96km – Wayfinding – Sanitorium Rd onto the Thames Valley Parkway – 1:30pm to 3:00pm [Map 2]:

Leave Sanitorium Road to access the Thames Valley Parkway. The Thames Valley Parkway is 35km of connected off road pathways and the backbone of commuter cycling in London. We'll follow it all the way to our overnight accommodations in Elgin Hall.

Be aware of other trail users and don't forget to use your bell or call out when passing.

94km/108km – Overnight Accommodations - Elgin Hall – 2:30pm to 4:30pm [Map 2]:

1151 Richmond St, London, ON N6A 5B9

Visit the Info tent before registering. Bikes are to be stored in your rooms.

Dinner — On Your Own

You can either go out to the River District to eat or dine in using Uber Eats.

Some recommended restaurant options in the River District about 2 km from the Residence.

- **The London Bicycle Café** – 320 Thames St Unit 101, London, ON N6A 0E1 — There is a GWTA special menu available, with limited numbers. Reservations are required. Book through the link in GWTA newsletter which you can access through the GWTA FAQs on waterfronttrail.org.
- **Pizzeria Madre** – 320 Thames St #106, London, ON N6A 5N8 — No reservations. Dine in and take out. (519) 432-4333.
- **Pho Ngon Vietnamese Restaurant** – 45 King St, London, ON N6A 1B8 — (519) 672-9789

Taxis

Green Taxi: (519) 777-8888

London Taxi: (519) 657-1111

Your Taxi Link: (519) 432-2222

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Three Great Lakes: Day 6

London to Port Stanley: approx. 55 km

Day 06

Today's Ride

Today is a much shorter day on the bike. There will be plenty of time to hit the beach in Port Stanley this afternoon, so don't forget to bring your bathing suit and towel along for today's ride—or get some retail therapy at the shops.

After leaving Elgin Hall by bike, rejoin the Thames Valley Parkway and follow it down to the river. At the river, you will join the bike lanes heading south on Ridout Street for a safe route out of London. This route is mainly quieter country roads towards St. Thomas.

NOTE: Please take care as some of the roads do not have bike lanes and have 90km speed limits.

35km – Rest Stop and Optional Overnight – St. Thomas – 10:30 to 11:00am [Map 2]:

Visit one of the many coffee shops for a quick break or explore the St. Thomas Elevated Trail—Canada's only elevated park and part of the Trans Canada Trail. It has stood at the western edge of the city since 1929, a recognized engineering marvel of its era which, at its peak, carried some 50 trains each day, both freight and passenger. Today it is a 4 km non-motorized trail with spectacular views over Kettle Creek Valley. Enter at the intersection of King and Centre St. in St. Thomas. (Highlighted in RWGPS).

If you wish to stay in St. Thomas, we recommend the Holiday Inn. Since check in isn't until 3:00pm, we suggest riding 12km to Port Stanley for lunch and then heading back to St. Thomas to check in at the Holiday Inn.

Suggested rest stops in St. Thomas:

- **Streamliners Espresso Bar** – 767 Talbot St, St Thomas, ON N5P 1E3
- **Zesty Dessert Café** – 831 Talbot St, St Thomas, ON N5P 1E4

- **Las Chicas Del Café** – Parking lot, Canada Southern Railway Station, Parking lot, 750 Talbot St, St Thomas, ON N5P 1E2
- **Why Not Cookies Café** – 373 Talbot St, St Thomas, ON N5P 1B7
- **Ruby Blues Bakery and Café** – 571 Talbot St, St Thomas, ON N5P 1C5
- **The Perk** – 417 Wellington St, St Thomas, ON N5R 5J5

35km – Holiday Inn Express & Suites –

Check in at 3:00pm [Map 2]:

275 Highview Dr, St Thomas, ON N5R 5Y5
Check in from 3:00pm. Hotel has a pool and a fitness centre.

47km – Port Stanley Beach – 11:00am –

12:30pm [Map 2]:

Check out the stunning Port Stanley Beach on Lake Erie.

There are plenty of places to grab lunch, a snack, a beverage or an ice cream, and plenty of time to take a dip before checking into your hotel or heading to the GWTA Basecamp.

Celebrate your arrival to Lake Erie, the third Great Lake of the trip, with a beachside dinner at GT's on the beach.

Beachside Dinner at GT's

350 Edith Cavell Blvd, Port Stanley, N5L 1E2
Please pick up your wristband from a GWTA staff member or volunteer. Staff will direct you to a table – we have reserved a large section of the patio.

Take a post-dinner walk along the beach or through the town or enjoy Port Stanley's nightlife.

Get some ideas from the Port Stanley Visitor Centre

199 Carlow Rd, Port Stanley, ON N5L 1B6

Taxis

Dockside Cabs (519) 782-3855
Town and Country Taxi: (519) 631-1800

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Three Great Lakes: Day 07

Port Stanley to Port Dover: approx. 100 km

Day 07

Today's Ride

Today's route follows quiet country roads with some hills later in the day. Make sure to take time to explore the port towns—they're the best place for connecting with Lake Erie, as well as for finding washrooms, food options, and unexpected gems!

20km – Suggested Rest Stop – Port Bruce Provincial Park – 9:00am to 9:45am [Map 1]:

3360 Imperial Rd, Aylmer, ON N5H 2R2

Visit the beautiful beach at Port Bruce Provincial Park. Washrooms are available at the parking lot.

- **M&D Taco Shack** – 3143 Colin St, Port Bruce, ON N5H 2R2
- **Corner View Cafe** – 3159 Colin St, Aylmer, ON N5H 2R2

40km – Suggested Stop – Port Burwell and Museum of Naval History – 10:00am to 11:00am [Map 2]:

3 Pitt St, Port Burwell, ON N0J 1T0

Consider checking out the Museum of Naval History, located across the street from the historic lighthouse (Lake Erie's oldest) built in 1840.

Port Burwell has plenty of restaurant options if you're looking for an early lunch or a bite to eat:

- **Simply Scoops** – 38 Robinson St, Port Burwell, ON N0J 1T0
- **Straiko's by the Lake** – 33 Robinson St, Port Burwell, ON N0J 1T0
- **Izzy's Schooners Restaurant & Patio Lookout** – 35 Robinson St, Port Burwell, ON N0J 1T0
- **Driftwood Café** – 39 Robinson St, Port Burwell, ON N0J 1T0

70km –Lee Brown Waterfowl Management Area – 12:00pm to 1:00pm [Map 3]:

2575 Norfolk 42, Port Rowan, ON N0E 1M0

Port-a-potty.

76km – Suggested Lunch Stop – Port Rowan - 12:15pm – 1:15pm [Map 3]:

13 Front Rd, Port Rowan, ON N0E 1M0

Port Rowan is a beautiful little harbour village. Make sure to check out the famous Twins Ice cream parlor. Suggested Restaurants:

- **Boathouse Restaurant** – 10 Sea Queen Rd, Port Rowan, ON N0E 1M0
- **Twins Ice Cream Parlor** – 1028 Bay St, Port Rowan, ON N0E 1M0
- **Chef Stan's Saloon** – 1029 Bay St, Port Rowan, ON N0E 1M0
- **Country Folk** – 1048 Bay St, Port Rowan, ON N0E 1M0
- **Foodland (Grocery)** – 1031 Bay St, Port Rowan, ON N0E 1M0

90km –Suggested Stop– Burning Kiln Winery– 1:00pm to 3:00pm [Map 3]:

1709 Front Rd, St Williams, ON N0E 1P0

Burning Kiln Winery is a winery and dining destination featuring the Back Kitchen restaurant. Connected to Long Point Eco-Adventures where you can book an amazing glamping experience.

100km – Port Ryerse – 2:00pm to 3:30pm [Map 3]

Staying in Port Dover

If you are camping or staying in a Port Dover hotel, continue East on the Great Lakes Waterfront Trail towards Port Dover.

We recommend the **Erie Beach Hotel**, 19 Walker St, Port Dover, ON N0A 1N0
Tel:(519) 583-1391 Located on Main Street, moments away from the beach. It has a restaurant and tavern as well. Bikes stored in your room.

Dinner – On Your Own

If you haven't tried the perch—now is the time to do so.

- **Erie Beach Hotel** – 19 Walker Street Port Dover, ON N0A 1N. (519) 583-1391 Monday to Friday, 5:00pm to 8:00pm.
- **Beach House** – 2 Walker St. Port Dover ON N0A 1N0. (519) 583-0880. 11:00am to 9:00pm.
- **David's Restaurant** – 168 New Lakeshore Rd. Port Dover, ON N0A 1N3. (519) 583-0706. 5:00pm to 9:00pm.
- **Schofields** – 243 Main Street, Port Dover ON N0A 1N0. (519) 583-3400. 11:00am to 8:00pm.
- **Family Shed Pizzeria** (Offers Delivery) – 301 Main St, Port Dover, ON N0A 1N0. (519) 583-1881. 11:00am to 9:00pm. One of Port Dover's favourites.
- **Southside Louie's** (Offers Delivery) – 201 Main St, Port Dover, ON N0A 1N0. (519) 583-0920.

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Three Great Lakes DAY 8 –

Port Dover to Hamilton 100 KM.

Watch for the Trail switch at the 41KM mark.

Today's Ride – Port Dover or Simcoe to Hamilton

Congratulations, you have made it to the final day of the tour! Today we ride scenic rail trails from Port Dover to Hamilton, with highlights including Waterford's Black Bridge, the City of Brantford, Mohawk Chapel and Hearts Content Organic Farmstead. The route is entirely rail trail featuring a variety of surfaces from hard paved to crushed gravel.

Port Dover to Hamilton via Brock's Route

Travelling along the trail from Hamilton to Brantford to Port Dover, Brock's Route follows the Trans Canada Trail, Hamilton to Brantford Rail Trail, City of Brantford Trails and the TH&B Rail Trail within Brantford and Brant County to trace the route that Isaac Brock took during the War of 1812. Trail markers along the route commemorate 200 years of peace.

1km Silver Lakes Lion's Park [Map 1]:
320 St Patrick St, Port Dover, ON N0A 1N0
Cyclists leaving from **Port Dover** will join the Lynn Valley Trail at Silver Lake Lion's Park. This is a quick 5-minute ride from the campground.

12.6km – Suggested Stop – Simcoe Lion's Park [Map 1]:

75 Davis Street East Simcoe
Simcoe Lion's Park can be accessed directly from the Trail and will be open for riders to use the washrooms and refill water bottles. The Trail becomes the **Norfolk Sunrise Trail** as it travels through Simcoe.

20km– Waterford – 8:30am to 10:00am [Map 1]:
The Trail into Waterford is named the [Waterford Heritage Trail](#)

The highlight of this section of the trail is the **Waterford Black Bridge**, an old rail bridge that

has been converted into a pedestrian bridge as part of the Waterford Heritage Trail. This section of the trail in Waterford goes over Waterford ponds and has beautiful views and lookout points.

Take some time to visit the town of Waterford via the lower trail which travels under the bridge.

41km – Wayfinding –Trail Split at Burtch Road [Map 2]:

IMPORTANT NOTE: The trail you are riding splits between the LE&N trail to your right, and the TH&B Trail to your left just before crossing Burtch Rd. Our route continues along the **LE&N Trail, so keep right**. Watch for signs to alert you.

41 – Suggested Early Lunch or Coffee Stop – Windmill Country Market – 10:00am to 11:00am [Map: 2]

701 Mt Pleasant Rd, Mount Pleasant, ON N0E 1K0

Leave the trail at Burtch Road for a 500m side trip to visit the famous [Windmill Country Market](#) - a local favourite for breakfasts, lunches, bakery and deli products.

51km –Washrooms are available at the Civic Centre, 79 Market St. South, Brantford. [Map 2]

55km/44km –Mohawk Chapel – 11:00am to 1:00pm [Map 2]:

301 Mohawk St, Brantford, ON N3T 5LN
H.M Royal Chapel of the Mohawks is one of the oldest buildings in Canada. The chapel is located along the bank of the Grand River on Six Nations land. Built in 1785, Her Majesty's Royal Chapel of the Mohawks is the last remaining building of the original Mohawk Village and is now the oldest surviving Church in Ontario.

The Mohawk Chapel is a beautiful historical site with so much to offer. Take a walk around the grounds to view plaques unveiled by Her Majesty

the Queen, memorials of Joseph Brant, Pauline Johnson, Susan Hardie and more. Staff and the Chapel Warden will be available to facilitate self-guided tours and conversations.

67km/56km –Suggested Rest Stop – Heart's Content Organic Farmstead – 11:00am to 1:30pm [Map 2]:

27 Ronald Rd., RR #8 Brantford, ON N3T 5M1

Make a special stop at [Hearts Content Organic Farmstead](#).. Hosts Ella and Richard are passionate stewards of the land. Their eco-farmstead, located along the Trans Canada Trail, also offers fabulous farmstead experiences and guided medicinal plant walks.

84km – Suggested Rest Stop – Dundas Valley Conservation Area Visitor Centre – 12:30pm to 2:30pm [Map 3]:

5E3 Ancaster, Lower Spring Creek Trail, Dundas, ON L9E 5E3

Don't miss the Dundas Valley Trail Centre, a replica of a Victorian train station, and the hub of the valley's trail network. Summer weekdays the centre is open 8:30am to 3:00pm.

The Centre has a food concession, interpretive displays, brochures and maps detailing the Dundas Valley.

99km – Mohawk College – 2:00pm to 4:00pm [Map 3]:

135 Fennell Ave W, Hamilton, ON L9C 1E9

You did it! Welcome to the Finish Line!

You've conquered the 3-Great Lakes in 8 Days—what an achievement!

It's a long day's ride, you may wish to book an additional night at Mohawk.